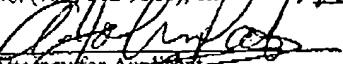


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Responsive to the communication from the examiner mailed December 30, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.